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News from the State Retirement & Pension System of Maryland

Dates announced for popular retirement-planning seminars

"Excellent!"

"Super!"

"Much more than I expected!"

"Everyone should attend!"

hese words of praise aren't for the latest Hollywood blockbuster or Broadway play. In fact, these are just a few of the rave reviews state employees are giving the State Retirement Agency's Pre-Retirement and Life Planning seminars. Conducted throughout the year, these free seminars are tailored to meet the needs of members nearing retirement as well as those in the middle of their careers.

Want to find out what your colleagues are calling "great" and "a quality job"? Review the following eligibility criteria and, if you're eligible to attend, complete the appropriate registration form provided in this newsletter. Two seminars are offered: the **Pre-Retirement Seminar** and the **Life-Planning Seminar**

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→ Registration forms for Life Planning and Pre-Retirement



For members nearing retirement, the **Pre-Retire-ment Seminars** provide a detailed overview of the retirement process. Skilled speakers who are specialists in their field lead discussions on

state pension benefits, health benefits, Maryland Supplemental Retirement Plan benefits, legal issues, Social Security, and other aspects of retirement. **Pre-Retirement Seminars** are offered to employees who are within **eight years** of being eligible to retire.

For employees in mid-career, Life Planning Seminars provide valuable information on how to prepare for a comfortable retirement. These well-rounded seminars are conducted by a dynamic group of speakers who discuss state pension benefits, Maryland Supplemental Retirement Plan benefits, family and estate planning, and successful investing. Life Planning Seminars are open to employees who have eight to 20 years of service.

A **Life Planning** registration form is printed on page 2, and the **Pre-Retirement** registration is printed on pages 3 and 4.

Am I eligible to attend?

If you are a state employee and answer yes to one of the following questions, you may be eligible to attend the seminar indicated.

- Are you within eight years of being eligible to retire? (Pre-Retirement Seminar)
- Do you have eight to 20 years of service? (Life Planning Seminar)

Complete the appropriate form included in this newsletter and send it to the address printed on the form.

Clearly mark your selected date, complete the entire form and then mail or fax it to the address listed on the form. Please do not send the registration form to the State Retirement Agency. Registration forms for either seminar also are available from your Retirement Coordinator.

Your spouse is encouraged to attend these seminars with you. Signed interpreters are provided on request for the hearing impaired.

For more information about these seminars, please contact the Retirement Agency at 410-625-5555 or toll-free at 1-800-492-5909.

STATE RETIREMENT AGENCY OF MARYLAND LIFE PLANNING SEMINARS FALL 2001 REGISTRATION FORM

State employees who have between eight to 20 years of eligibility credit and their spouses are eligible to attend the following one-day seminar that begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. The seminar is designed to target members who are in mid-career in order to prepare them early on for retirement.

Instructions: Please place a "1" (first choice), "2" (second choice), and "3" (third choice) next to the seminar you wish to attend. Seats will fill up fast, so please indicate all choices. Return the form at least three weeks prior to the scheduled class. REGISTRATION IS NOT TRANSFERABLE. You will receive a letter confirming the seminar to which you are assigned within two weeks of the scheduled date. The confirmation letter that you receive is your "entry ticket" to the seminar, so please bring it with you. If you are found ineligible to attend the seminar, or have been placed on a waiting list, you will be notified. It is not necessary to complete this form if you previously received notification of placement on a waiting list. You will be notified of the next available seminar.

September 11, 2001 (Tue)

State Office Building

September 25, 2001 (Tue)

Holly Center

Salisbury, MD

September 14, 2001 (Fri)

Frostburg, MD

Frostburg State University

September 28, 2001 (Fri)

Salisbury State University

September 7, 2001 (Fri)

September 19, 2001 (Wed)

Western MD Hospital Center

Towson University

Towson, MD

September 5, 2001 (Wed)

September 17, 2001 (Mon)

Department of Agriculture

State Office Building

Baltimore, MD

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October 2, 2001 (Tue) MD School for the Deaf Frederick, MD	October 10, 2001 (Wed) Eastern Shore Hospital Center Cambridge, MD		October 12, 2001 (Fri) Western MD Hospital Center Hagerstown, MD	October 15, 2001 (Mon) Harford Co. Dept. of Social Services Bel Air, MD					
October 17, 2001 (Wed) MD Aviation Administration Linthicum, MD	October 19, 2001 (Fri) State Office Building Baltimore, MD		October 23, 2001 (Tue) Carroll Community College Westminster, MD	October 26, 2001 (Fri) Frostburg State University Frostburg, MD					
October 29, 2001 (Mon) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	November 1, 2001 (Thu) State Highway Administration Dayton, MD		November 2, 2001 (Fri) Dept. of Natural Resources Annapolis, MD	☐ November 5, 2001 (Mon) State Office Building Baltimore, MD					
November 16, 2001 (Fri) Morgan State University Baltimore, MD	November 26, 2001 (Mon) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD		November 27, 2001 (Tue) State Office Building Baltimore, MD	☐ November 30, 2001 (Fri) Salisbury State University Salisbury, MD					
December 5, 2001 (Wed) Charles County Department of Social Services LaPlata, MD	December 7, 2001 (Fri) Towson University Towson, MD		December 10, 2001 (Mon) Eastern Shore Hospital Center Cambridge, MD	December 12, 2001 (Wed) MD Aviation Administration Linthicum, MD					
December 14, 2001 (Fri) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	December 18, 2001 (Tue) State Office Building Baltimore, MD								
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THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE COUNTY STATE OF MARYLAND PRE-RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINARS - FALL 2001

State employees within eight (8) years of retirement and their spouses are eligible to attend the following one-day seminars which begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. A letter of confirmation will be sent to approved participants no later than seven (7) business days prior to their scheduled session date. The confirmation letter is your "entry ticket" to the Pre-Retirement Seminar. Please bring it with you to the session.

Please place "1" (first choice) and "2" (second choice) next to the seminar you wish to attend.

GM	August 20 (Monday) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	GY_	October 5 (Friday) Salisbury State University Salisbury, MD	нк	November 16 (Friday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City
GN	August 21 (Tuesday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City	GZ	October 10 (Wednesday) Cecil Co. Community College Cecil County, MD	HL_	November 19 (Monday) Potomac Center Hagerstown, MD
GO	August 24 (Friday) Chesapeake College Queen Anne's, MD	HA	October 11 (Thursday) Allegany College Cumberland, MD	HM	November 20 (Tuesday) CCBC – Catonsville Campus Catonsville, MD
GP	August 27 (Monday) CCBC – Catonsville Campus Baltimore, MD	HB	October 12 (Friday) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	HN_	November 26 (Monday) Morgan State University Baltimore, MD
GQ	August 29 (Wednesday) Frostburg University Frostburg, MD	HC_	October 15 (Monday) Potomac Center Hagerstown, MD (Correctional Officers Only)	НО	November 28 (Wednesday) Eastern Shore Hospital Center Cambridge, MD
GR	September 7 (Friday) Salisbury State University Salisbury, MD	HD_	October 18 (Thursday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City	HP	December 3 (Monday) Salisbury State University Salisbury, MD
GS	September 12 (Wednesday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City	НЕ	October 22 (Monday) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	HQ_	December 5 (Wednesday) College of Southern Maryland Charles County, MD
GT_	September 14 (Friday) Dept. of Agriculture Annapolis, MD	HF	October 25 (Thursday) Eastern Shore Hospital Ctr. Cambridge, MD	HR	December 7 (Friday) Towson University Towson, MD
GU	September 18 (Tuesday) Frederick Community Coll. Frederick, MD	HG	October 26 (Friday) Frederick Community College Frederick, MD	HS	December 14 (Friday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City
GV_	September 21 (Friday) Towson University Towson, MD	нн	October 29 (Monday) 300 W. Preston Street Baltimore City	HT	December 17 (Monday) Department of Agriculture Annapolis, MD
GW	September 24 (Monday) Eastern Shore Hospital Ctr. Cambridge, MD	HI	November 1 (Thursday) Frostburg University Frostburg, MD	HU	December 18 (Tuesday) CCBC – Essex Campus Baltimore, MD
GX_	September 25 (Tuesday) Potomac Center Hagerstown, MD	нл	November 6 (Tuesday) Prince George's Com. Coll. Prince George's, MD	HV	December 21 (Friday) Towson University Towson, MD



STATE OF MARYLAND PRE-RETIREMENT PLANNING REGISTRATION FORM - FALL 2001

Please print all information

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Supervisor's Signature			Date	

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

Continuing Education Division, V Building Pre-Retirement Planning Registration 800 S. Rolling Road Catonsville, MD 21228

For information call: 410-780-6632

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